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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS CONGRESSIONAL CORRESPONDENCE:
DISAPPEARANCE OF DR. ADOLFO RUBEN MODAVSKY (91/77/9)

ARGENTINA PROJECT (S200000044)
U.S. DEPT. OF STATE, A/RPS/IPS
Margaret P. Grafeld, Director
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1. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR LETTER OF NOV 30, 1977.
THE DISAPPEARANCE OF DR. MOLDAVSKY IS ONE OF THE HIGH US INTEREST
CASES ABOUT WHICH THE EMBASSY HAS MADE SPECIFIC REPRESENTATIONS
TO THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT.

2. WE HAVE SIGNALLED TO THE FOREIGN OFFICE THE CONSIDERABLE
US CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST IN DR. MOLDAVSKY'S DISAPPEARANCE.
IN MOST DISAPPEARANCE CASES THE FOREIGN OFFICE AND MINISTRY OF
INTERIOR RESPOND WITH A STANDARD REPLY THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF
ARGENTINA HAS NO RECORD OF THE PERSON'S DETENTION NOR ANY
INFORMATION REGARDING HIS WHEREABOUTS. HOWEVER, IN THE CASE OF
DR. MOLDAVSKY THE FOREIGN OFFICE INFORMED US IN LATE NOVEMBER
THAT THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR WAS STILL CHECKING INTO THE
MATTER. A FOREIGN OFFICE OFFICIAL PRIVATELY INDICATED THAT
THE ARMY HAS NOT REPLIED TO THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR'S INQUIRY
REGARDING MR. MOLDAVSKY'S POSSIBLE DETENTION.

3. AN EMBASSY OFFICER RAISED THE OUTSTANDING US INTEREST CASES.
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AGAIN WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTRY ON DECEMBER 29 AND WAS TOLD THAT
NO FURTHER INFO WAS AVAILABLE.

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4. IT WOULD PERHAPS, BE VERY USEFUL FOR YOU TO DISCUSS THIS CASE WITH AMBASSADOR AJA ESPIL IN WASHDC, WE ARE AWARE OF YOUR INTEREST AND THAT OF OTHERS IN THE CONGRESS IN DR. MOLDAVSKY'S WELLBEING AND WILL CONTINUE TO KEEP YOU INFORMED OF ANY DEVELOPMENTS.

4. SINCERELY YOURS, RAUL CASTRO, AMBASSADOR.
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